

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Beck at 6:35 p.m. on October 14, 2008 at our recreation building located in Ventnor Heights at Surrey & Balfour Avenues in accordance with the sunshine law.

Present: Bart Beck, Jan Sarnese, John Gallagher, Lori Nolan, Commissioner Weintrob and Director Thomas

Director Report: Traveling Basketball—Mike Baker will go over the schedule and the rules and regulations with the coaching staff. The recreation board made a suggestion that a coaching “Code of Conduct” be done for everyone interested in coaching any of the programs. Two teams, South Shore League and Down beach. South Shore is all Ventnor children and the Down beach team is mixed with Margate, Ventnor children.

Mike Baker will instruct a 3rd & 4th grade girl’s basketball team.

Hutch: last year wanted to change the structure but too late. This year Director Thomas brought up the idea of classifying grades for example, see below:

4th, 5th & 6th grades – having 4 teams

6th, 7th & 8th- having 4 teams

Then senior league with 4 teams

This would happen in December if agreeable—need to discuss and confirm by next month’s meeting so board members need to bring their thoughts to November’s meeting.

Lori Nolan made a suggestion to have one centralized location for sign ups, nightmare last year. Possibly have kids turn forms and monies into the school with an envelope made out to Director’s attention. Also director will call Superintendent to have the message about sign ups put on the “all call” phone system at the school and give a specific cut off date to sign up by.

Also discussed was an increase in registration fees:

Biddy League- K1-3rd grade would be \$30.00 per child

Junior League- 4th, 5th & 6th grades - \$40.00 per child

Senior League- 6th (more advanced children), 7th & 8th graders- \$45.00 per child

City League-High School kids \$50.00

Motion made to adopt new prices per John Gallagher and seconded by Lori Nolan.

Motion carried- fees will take effect for 2008-2009 season

Director Thomas stated that it has been years since the fees were increased and unfortunately everything else that is involved in having a successful program has not stopped increasing, so therefore the City needs to raise some of the fees to help offset some of the increasing costs.

Adult “winter”volleyabl has begun, Mike Feely doing the program—it will be on Tuesday nights as in the past in the school

Lori Nolan wanted to speak to the rec board and discuss a fund raiser for the school. In the past they have sold Cherry Dale as a fundraiser and usually do pretty well. This year they did not do as well so they have to make up the difference for “Home & School” so they were thinking about the Harlem Superstar like the Harlem Wizards Basketball team that was here in the past. She spoke to the superstar’s representative and they are cheaper than the Wizards are she thinks they have a good fund raiser. The gym is open on Friday January 23rd so she wanted permission to use it for this event. The recreation board has no problem with that date but she needs to confirm with the school. They were thinking of prices being pre opening: Kids \$8.00. Adults \$10.00 and at the door, day of the event it would, Kids \$10.00/ Adults \$12.00. These are rough ideas and everything is subject to change until the home & school work out all the figures and needs for the event. Recreation board is in favor of this event but need to get all definite figures; Lori will get back to board with that information.

Site Supervisor position: Director Thomas put an ad in the paper advertising a site supervisor for the evenings at the school part time. 7 people responded. The director and several board members are willing to help with the interview process those people to do the interviewing are : John Gallagher , Jan Sarnese, Lori Nolan and Director Thomas. Director Thomas will be calling the applicants.

The meeting will go into a close door session for personnel matters. 7:15 p.m.
Back on the record at 7:35 pm

Motion was made to adjourn meeting Bart Beck and seconded by Jan Sarnese. Meeting adjourned.